Other reasons are low productivity, vendors' failure to supply components and other material and workers' strike on the issue of interim relief from 14-12-1987 to 29-1-1988.

(d) Assistance by way of non-plan loan is being given to the company to enable it to supply production material to achieve its production targets for the year 1988-89.

Non-settlement of wages since October, 1981 of Class III and IV workers of B.B.V.L. Calcutta

1263. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pay revision for the Officers of M/s. Bharat Brakes and Valves Limited, Calcutta was effected in 1981 and 1986 with retrospective effect from 1982 and interim relief was also granted to them;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there has been no wage settlement for Class III and Class IV workers of Bharat Brakes and Valves Limited, Calcutta since 26th October, 1981;

(c) if so, the reasons for the non-settlement of wages as far as Class III and IV workers are concerned;

(d) whether the Management had received a Charter of Demands dated the 17th December, 1983 from the Bharat Brakes and Valves Mazdoor Union; and

(e) if so, whether any action has been taken to settle the Charter of demands, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (e) Class III & Class IV workers of Bharat Brakes & Valves Ltd. Calcutta, (BBVL) are governed by the Tripartite Engineering Wage Settlement in West Bengal. After the expiry of the Memorandum of Settlement dated 26-10-1981, the company has implemented the Award of 3rd and 4th Industry-wise Engineering Wage Settlements dated 2-9-1983 and 20-1-1988 respectively for public sector engineering industries in West Bengal. The Charter of Demand dated 17-12-1983 submitted by the union could not be accepted as it was beyond the Industry-wise Engineering Wage Settlement applicable in their case.

गैस स्टोव/बर्नर्स गैस एजेंसियों से ही खरीदने के लिये उपभोक्ताओं को मजबूर करने वाली एल०पी० जी० एजेंसियां

1264. **श्री सुनील कुमार पट्टनायक :** क्या **पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्री** यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि घरेलू गैस के वितरक मैसर्स मब्बरवाल गैस सर्विस गीता कालोनी, दिल्ली-51 और मैसर्स जी० एस. एन्टरप्राइसेज, शालीमार पार्क, दिल्ली-32 नए गैस कनैक्शन जारी करते समय उपभोक्ताओं को उनसे गैस बर्नर्स तथा गैस स्टोव खरीदने के लिए मजबूर कर रहे हैं ; और

(ख) यदि हां, तो इन एजेंसियों के विरुद्ध क्या कार्यवाही किये जाने का विचार है ?

पेट्रोलियम और प्राकृतिक गैस मंत्रालय में उपमंत्री (श्री रफीक आलम) : (क) इस संबंध में संदर्भित वितरकों के विरुद्ध कोई ऐसी शिकायतें प्राप्त नहीं हुई हैं ।

(ख) उपर्युक्त (क) को देखते हुए प्रश्न नहीं उठता ।